



RULE-MAKING ORDER

CR-103 (June 2004)
(Implements RCW 34.05.360)

Agency: Insurance Commissioner

☒ Permanent Rule
☐ Emergency Rule

Effective date of rule:

Permanent Rules

☒ 31 days after filing.

☐ Other (specify) _____ (If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)

Effective date of rule:

Emergency Rules

☐ Immediately upon filing.

☐ Later (specify) _____

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?

☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, explain:

Purpose This amendment will exempt insurers from medical malpractice cancellation and non-renewal laws if they provide only identical medical coverage and eliminate the possibility of misunderstanding or ambiguity in this section.

Insurance Commissioner Matter No. R 2006-08

Citation of existing rules affected by this order:

Repealed:

Amended: WAC 284-20A-050

Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 48.02.060 and RCW 48.18.547

Other authority:

PERMANENT RULE ONLY (Including Expedited Rule Making)

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 06-19-103 on 9/20/06.

Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version:

If a preliminary cost-benefit analysis was prepared under RCW 34.05.328, a final cost-benefit analysis is available by contacting:

Name: _____ phone () _____

Address: _____ fax () _____

e-mail _____

EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds:

- ☐ That immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.
- ☐ That state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.

Reasons for this finding:

Date adopted: November 29, 2006

NAME (TYPE OR PRINT)

Mike Kreidler

SIGNATURE

TITLE

Insurance Commissioner

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**Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero.
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Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.
A section may be counted in more than one category.

The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:

Federal statute:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Federal rules or standards:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:

New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
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The number of sections adopted in the agency's own initiative:

New	_____	Amended	<u>1</u>	Repealed	_____
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The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
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The number of sections adopted using:

Negotiated rule making:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Pilot rule making:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Other alternative rule making:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending Matter No. R 2006-01, filed 8/10/06, effective 9/10/06)

WAC 284-20A-050 What constitutes a medical malpractice insurance policy for the purposes of RCW 48.18.290 (1)(b) and 48.18.2901 (1)(a)(ii)? A medical malpractice insurance policy means an insurance policy written with the principal intent to provide medical malpractice insurance. For the purposes of this section, a policy does not include medical malpractice insurance written as ancillary coverage to a general liability or package policy if the principal exposure insured is not medical malpractice.